NDE Bulletin August 5, 2010

### **NCLB/ESEA**

### **Unbudgeted Funds in the NCLB Consolidated Application**

Contact your NCLB Consolidated Application Reviewer

As of August 5<sup>th</sup>, there was \$2,145,378 of unbudgeted funds from the eight programs in the NCLB Consolidated Application. Unbudgeted means carryover funds from the 2008-09 application that were not amended into the 2009-10 application. **ACT NOW** – unbudgeted funds must be in approved amendments before you can claim reimbursement at close-out. Remember: **All NCLB programs in the Consolidated Application, including Title I, Part A, must be closed out by AUGUST 30, 2010.** 

The pdf files of the 2010-11 NCLB formula allocations are now posted on the NCLB page at: <a href="http://www.nde.state.ne.us/federalprograms/index.htm">http://www.nde.state.ne.us/federalprograms/index.htm</a>

### **ARRA ESEA Update Telecast**

Contact: Marilyn Peterson (402-471-3504) or Marilyn.peterson@nebraska.gov

The next ARRA ESEA Update will be broadcast on NEB\*SAT 105 (State Channel 04) at 10:00 a.m. (CST) on Tuesday, August 10, 2010. The telecast will last less than one hour. For technical assistance contact the NET Help Desk at 800-698-3426. The powerpoint presentation used in the telecast will be posted on "Federal Programs - NCLB" on the NDE homepage at

http://www.nde.state.ne.us/federalprograms/index.htm and on the ARRA website at: http://www.nde.state.ne.us/ARRA/Presentations.html by Friday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. A DVD of the telecast will be sent to all ESUs following the broadcast. The agenda includes: Grants and Applications for 2010-11, AYP and NeSA, AYP State Goals, 1% Alternate Assessed and AYP and updates on NSSRS.

### State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF) Application for 2010-11

Contact: Brian Halstead or Bryce Wilson

The ARRA SFSF application for the 2010-11 school year is available in the NDE Portal under the "GMS" tab. Districts are reminded that the Assurances page must be printed out, signed by the Superintendent and the President of the School Board, and submitted to the Commissioner. The signed Assurances must be submitted before the application can be approved.

# **Nebraska Student and Staff Record System**

#### NSSRS 2010-2011

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or <a href="mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov">nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov</a>)

Updated 2010-2011 NSSRS template instructions for student (version 5.2.0 dated 8/05/2010) and staff (version 5.1.0 dated 7/22/2010) are available on the NSSRS Documents web page (<a href="http://www.education.ne.gov/nssrs/Documents.htm">http://www.education.ne.gov/nssrs/Documents.htm</a>). Based on district feedback, the instructions for the Student Grades template now indicate Course Grade [Student Grades:Alpha Grade (11)] values are

required only for students assigned to grades 9, 10, 11, and 12. Please refer to the "Change Summary" in Appendix A of each manual for an itemized list of changes.

# **NSSRS: August 2-13 Correction Window**

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (866-285-0556 or <a href="mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov">nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov</a>)

This is your opportunity to make corrections to all templates in the 2009-2010 Year-end Collection. Please note that you may need to have 2009-2010 Year-end Collection unlocked in order to proceed with uploading data. The quickest way to have your district unlocked is to send an e-mail to <a href="mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov">nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov</a> with a subject line of "Unlock Collection". All districts <a href="mailto:must\_approve">must\_approve</a> the Year-end 2009-2010 collection by August 13, 2010.

#### 2009-2010 Statistics and Facts About Nebraska Schools

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (866-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

The "2009-2010 Statistics and Facts About Nebraska Schools" is now available for download from the NDE Data Services "Data and Information" web page (http://www.education.ne.gov/DataServices/Data and Information.htm).

### **Upcoming Dates**

August 16	· Districts receive their own NeSA – Reading results from NDE
	• NSSRS opens for 2010-11 school year data (NEW)
August 17	<ul> <li>NeSA – Reading and NeSA – Alternate Assessment Reading results for districts only (initial release will be files with the results for the all students group for all schools and districts)</li> </ul>
August 2 – 13	· Window for correcting 2009-10 data
October 16 -	· NSSRS 2009-10 Resubmission window open for drop-out and completer data
November 10	
October 1	· Release of the State of the Schools Report for the 2009-10 school year

### **Curriculum Report 2010-2011**

Contact Pam Tagart (402-471-4735 or pam.tagart@nebraska.gov)

The 2010-2011 Appendix D Course Codes and Clearing Endorsements document is now posted on this website <a href="http://www.education.ne.gov/DataServices/2010\_2011Curriculum\_Report.htm">http://www.education.ne.gov/DataServices/2010\_2011Curriculum\_Report.htm</a>. Two other documents related to Appendix D that might be helpful are:

- Course Code List, which provides a listing of the course codes by subject area.
- Course Codes (Excel file) a listing of the course codes in an excel file

School districts/systems are not required to use the Appendix D course codes in their staff or student information systems; however, districts/systems must crosswalk course codes to Appendix D when

reporting in NSSRS and the Curriculum Reporting system. School districts have reported the Appendix D course codes in the Curriculum Reporting System (courses teachers teach) in past years.

#### Reminders:

# **Enhanced NDE Directory Search**

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or <a href="mailto:nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov">nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov</a>)

The online Directory Search has been updated and enhanced. The search tool allows access to lists of districts/systems, schools, and staff information by school years. The customizable results are downloadable and have a printable version. Features include:

- 1. Quick Lists provides commonly requested lists of district/system or school information.
- 2. Course data can be included in the custom staff search. For example: when performing a "Search for Staff" then "Custom Search", and then selecting teacher positions, the course and course subject area can be selected.
- 3. School Staff Directory provides a list of districts/systems, administrators, schools and staff. This list is similar to the NDE Education Directory (no longer published) and can be printed in its entirety or a particular district or county can be selected.

The updated Directory Search is available to the public at (<a href="http://educdirsrc.education.ne.gov/">http://educdirsrc.education.ne.gov/</a>) or through the NDE homepage by clicking "Nebraska Education Directory" on the menu.